

The Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) would like to thank everyone who participated in yesterday's Local Government Roundtable. Our speakers referenced several links and resources which we are including in this email. We look forward to your participation at our next Roundtable on July 16 from 1:30 to 2:30. An agenda will be sent closer to the Roundtable date.

## **OPR Announcements**

- Impacts and Adaptation Local Government Conference: Thank you to Mayor Villaraigosa for opening the conference and to all that were able to attend this event. This one day conference discussed the most recent scientific understanding of climate change impacts to cities and counties throughout California and outlined the tools and resources for local governments to address climate change impacts. You can view the video webcast and the PowerPoint presentations at the above link.
- CA Plug-In Electric Vehicle Collaborative (PEVC): There is a California Community PEV Readiness Workshop Series happening throughout the state. Experts will present the top five actions that communities can implement to update local codes and regional planning practices. To view more information and register, please click here. PEVC recently developed a new toolkit for local governments about electric vehicles with support from OPR: "A Community Toolkit for Plug-in Electric Vehicle Readiness: A Resource for Local Officials." Click here to view the toolkit.
- <u>E-Lists</u>: OPR has an e-mail list service, also known as e-lists, so that you can learn more about our initiatives, news, and updates. We maintain several e-lists to customize your experience and to ensure that you receive emails that are most relevant to your interests.
- Roundtable@opr.ca.gov: Please continue to email suggestions for future Roundtable topics. Also, please email us if you ever experience any problems with the call-in information.

## The Strategic Growth Council

- <u>Strategic Growth Council</u>: The SGC is a cabinet level committee tasked with coordinating activities of state agencies on issues relating to sustainability. One of these statutory tasks is to "Encourage greater infill and compact development." The SGC website includes information from previous SGC meetings, the recently passed SGC Strategic Plan, and more.
- <u>SGC Strategic Plan Implementation Update</u>: This staff report provides an update on the status of the implementation planning progress for the SGC Strategic Plan actions, including barriers to infill.

## **Annual Planning Survey Results**

- Results of the Survey: The Governor's Office of Planning and Research is pleased to announce the release of the Annual Planning Survey Results 2012 edition (an expanded version of the former California Planners' Book of Lists). We want to make special note of the exceptional response rate a full 87% of local governments to this survey, making it a particularly useful tool. You can download the raw data in Excel if you click here.
- <u>Directory of California Planning Agencies</u>: A directory of California Planning Agency contact information compiled from the Annual Planning Survey.

## **CEQA Streamlining for Infill Projects (SB 226)**

SB 226: OPR is pleased to solicit your input on a revised draft of proposed additions to the

- Guidelines"). This proposal reflects the direction in <u>SB 226</u> (Simitian, 2011) to prepare additions to the CEQA Guidelines setting forth a streamlined review process for infill projects. This proposal also contains the performance standards that will be used to determine an infill project's eligibility for streamlined review.
- OPR has prepared a <u>Flow Chart</u> and <u>Presentation</u> to illustrate the review process and application of performance standards for infill projects. Please note, however, that these documents are not proposed to be included in the regulatory text of the CEQA Guidelines.